

## What to do today (Dec 2, 2020)?

1. *Introduction*
2. *Probability and Distribution (Chp 1-3)*
3. *Essential Topics in Mathematical Statistics*
4. **Further Topics, Selected from Chp 7-11**
  - ▶ *4.1 Nonparametric and Robust Statistics (Chp 10.1-4, 10.8-9)*
  - ▶ **4.2 Bayesian Procedures (Chp 11.1)**
    - ▶ *4.2.1 Prior and Posterior Distributions*
    - ▶ *4.2.2 Bayesian Point Estimation*
    - ▶ *4.2.3 Bayesian Interval Estimation and Testing*
    - ▶ **4.2.4 Additional Topics in Bayesian Statistics**

**Plan for the rest of the term**

## 4.2 Bayesian Procedures (Chp 11)

### ► Prior and Posterior Distributions

$X_1, \dots, X_n$  are iid obs on  $X \sim f(x|\theta)$ .

- The likelihood function of  $\theta$  with the data  $\mathbf{x}$  is  $L(\theta|\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i|\theta)$ .
- Suppose  $\Theta \sim h(\theta)$ , a **prior distribution**.
- The **posterior distribution** with data  $\mathbf{x}$  is  $k(\theta|\mathbf{x}) \propto L(\theta|\mathbf{x})h(\theta)$ .

### ► Bayesian Point Estimation

Provided with a loss function  $\mathcal{L}(\theta, \delta(\mathbf{x}))$  measures the difference between  $\theta$  and  $\delta(\mathbf{x})$ ,

$$\hat{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \underset{\text{all } \delta(\mathbf{x})}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left( E \left[ \mathcal{L}(\Theta, \delta(\mathbf{x})) \right] \right).$$

- When the loss function is the squared difference  $\mathcal{L}(\theta, \delta(\mathbf{x})) = (\delta(\mathbf{x}) - \theta)^2$ ,

$$\hat{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = E(\Theta|\mathbf{x}) = \int \theta k(\theta|\mathbf{x}) d\theta.$$

► **Bayesian Interval Estimation and Testing**

- **Interval Estimation.** Interval  $(u(\mathbf{x}), v(\mathbf{x}))$  is chosen such that

$$1 - \alpha = P[u(\mathbf{x}) < \Theta < v(\mathbf{x}) | \mathbf{x}] = \int_{u(\mathbf{x})}^{v(\mathbf{x})} k(\theta | \mathbf{x}) d\theta.$$

*(credible interval)*

- **Testing Procedure.** To test on  $H_0 : \theta \in \Omega_0$  vs  $H_1 : \theta \in \Omega_1$ :

Accept  $H_0$  if  $P(\Theta \in \Omega_0 | \mathbf{x}) \geq P(\Theta \in \Omega_1 | \mathbf{x})$ ; otherwise, reject  $H_0$ .

## Comments:

- ▶ Need to choose an appropriate *prior* distn.
- ▶ The (classical) bayesian procedures assume the prior distn is fully known. Often considered  $\Theta \sim h(\theta|\phi)$  with unknown  $\phi$   
 $\implies$  *Empirical Bayesian Statistics*.
- ▶ Bayesian procedures are often computationally intensive.  $\implies$   
many modern statistical procedures to overcome the difficulty  
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## 4.2.4 Additional Topics in Bayesian Statistics

### ▶ More Bayesian terminology

Consider a population distribution  $f(\cdot|\theta), \theta \in \Omega$

- ▶ A class of prior pdfs for  $\theta$  is a **conjugate family of distribution** for  $f(\cdot|\theta)$  if the posterior pdf of  $\theta$  is in the same family of distributions as the prior.
- ▶ A **noninformative prior** is a prior that treats all values of  $\theta$  the same.

### ▶ Modern Bayesian statistics

- ▶ empirical Bayesian approaches, hierarchical Bayesian models, ...
- ▶ Gibbs sampler, Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC), ...

# What have we studied?

## 1. Introduction

## 2. Probability and Distribution (Chp 1-3)

- ▶ 2.1 Probability (Chp1.1-4)
- ▶ 2.2 Random Variable and Distribution (Chp1.5-10)
- ▶ 2.3 Multivariate Distribution (Chp2)
- ▶ 2.4 Some Special Distributions (Chp3)

## 3. Essential Topics in Mathematical Statistics (Chp 4-6)

- ▶ 3.1 Elementary Statistical Inferences (Chp 4)
- ▶ 3.2 Consistency and Limiting Distributions (Chp 5)
- ▶ 3.3 Maximum Likelihood Methods (Chp 6)

## 4. Further Topics, Selected from Chp 7-11

- ▶ 4.1 Nonparametric and Robust Statistics (Chp 10.1-4, 10.8-9)
- ▶ 4.2 Bayesian Statistics (Chp 11.1)

# What will we do next?

## To Prepare for Final Exam

- ▶ (A). Logistics for the Final Exam
- ▶ (B). Summary of the Covered Material

# What will we do next?

- ▶ Homework 6 is due today.
- ▶ No class and no tutorial from next week (Dec 7-11).
  - ▶ A summary of the material covered in STAT 330 will be posted in both the course's webpage and canvas page.
  - ▶ I'm going to have office hours during 10:30-12:30 PST on both Dec 7 Monday and Dec 9 Wednesday, via the Zoom link: (<https://sfu.zoom.us/j/81821922544>; Password: 278478)
- ▶ Final Exam on Fri Dec 17 during 8:00-18:00.



# Logistics for the Final Exam

- ▶ Time: You may access the exam questions during Thursday Dec 17 8:00-18:00 PST and use a 4hr window to write the exam.
- ▶ Open-book exam: collaboration in any form is prohibited.
- ▶ Material to be covered: all the material covered by the lectures; Textbook Chp 1-6, 10.1-4, 10.8-9, 11.1
- ▶ Office hours during the exam period:
  - ▶ Dec 7 Mon and Dec 9 Wed: 10:30-12:20 PST  
(<https://sfu.zoom.us/j/81821922544>; Password: 278478)
  - ▶ Dec 14 Mon, Dec 15 Tue, and Dec 16 Wed: 15:00-17:00 PST  
(<https://sfu.zoom.us/j/83111428821>; Password: 617805)
- ▶ Review the final exam grading during 10:00-13:00 Jan 8 Fri 2021 via the Zoom link:

(<https://sfu.zoom.us/j/89120489336>; Password: 242547)

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**Thank you**

**... .. and good luck on the final exam!**